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Application No. 10/700,618) Examiner: (unassigned)
Filed: November 5, 2003)
For: SELECTING TAG NUCLEIC ACIDS (As Amended))))

<u>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u> <u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)</u>

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the document listed on the attached PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is also attached.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed document and evidence that consideration of relevant portions thereof by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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